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Vision 2020 Standing Committee Minutes 08/30/2004

ARLINGTON VISION 2020 STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES OF AUGUST 30, 2004 MEETING

Attendance: Jane Howard, Joey Glushko, Bettie Connors, Stacy Davison, Gail Dubois, Andrew Fischer, Gordon Jamieson, Elizabeth Karpati, Leslie Mayer, Heidi Sheehan.

- The minutes of the May 18 meeting were accepted after a correction in the list of attendees. (Gail Dubois did attend, Jane Howard did not.)
- A proposal for a Recycling Week, October 12-15, 2004, has been presented to the Board of Selectmen by Fiscal Resources and the Recycling Committee, sponsored by Selectman Dias, and approved by the Board. It will be publicized at Town Day.
- The presenters asked for endorsement by the Standing Committee, which was given.
- Currently 28% of Arlington's total waste is recycled. Results of Recycling Week can be measured by monitoring the tonnage of trash burned vs. recycled. Results can be publicized in connection with Earth Day 2005 – a job for Sustainable Arlington.
- One way to increase recycling could be to come up with an easy way for people to find out and remember whether they are on the Triangle or Circle route for biweekly recycling pickup. E.g., a sticker could be given out with new recycling bins, based on the recipient's address.
- An updated version of the summary of accomplishments in 2003-2004 that had been distributed at the June 2004 year-end event was distributed at this meeting.
- Planning for Town Day, September 11, 2004:
- There were 240 requests for 200 spaces, so even official Town groups like Vision 2020 are being charged \$20 for a second table.
- Handout items:
- Diversity will have leaflets and publicity for Diversity Month in October.
- The Environment Task Group will have a sign-up list and leaflets by each committee (Reservoir, Spy Pond, Sustainable Arlington.)
- Heidi will do a leaflet with contact information for volunteer opportunities.
- Andrew will have information on the insurance survey results.
- The new edition of ~"Settling In" is ready.
- Committee members signed up to staff the Vision 2020 table.